

Lincoln University Faculty Senate  
March 31, 2011  
Regular Meeting, 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon  
106 MLK Hall

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Michael Bardot, chair, at 11:00. A quorum was present.

**Approval of the February 24, 2011, Meeting Minutes**

Dr. Mara Aruguete moved for approval of the February 24, 2011, minutes. Dr. Nancy Browning seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

**New Business**

A. Proposal Concerning ENG 101 and ENG 95, Dr. Bruce Ballard, chair, General Education Committee

Dr. Ballard explained that the proposals being brought forth for vote are the result of the university's adoption of an additional four-hour writing course, ENG 95, which received approval through the appropriate channels. Acceptance of the proposals will change the wording in the upcoming bulletin to reflect this adoption and the prerequisites for the writing courses. **Due to a question about whether the proposals could be voted on at this meeting, it was suggested that the rules be suspended in order to vote on the proposals.** Although the proposals were not submitted to the faculty for discussion, Dr. Ballard and Dr. Bardot explained that according to the by-laws, the only requirement for voting on a proposal is that it must be listed as an item on the senate meeting agenda.

**Dr. Roberto Ike moved for suspension of the rules. Dr. Ballard seconded the motion. The motion passed.**

Dr. Ballard moved the prerequisite for ENG 101, as listed in the undergraduate bulletin, change from an ACT of 16 to an ACT of 18. Dr. Laurence Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Dr. Rohrer moved that the prerequisite for ENG 101, as listed in the undergraduate bulletin, change from ENG 90 to ENG 95. Dr. Gabrielle Malfatti-Rachell seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

B. Library Services Report, Mr. Jerome Offord, Jr., head, Page Library

Mr. Offord noted that the library is currently involved in reviewing library resources and noted that 18 percent of the annual library budget, approximately \$200,000, goes to resources and materials. He passed out the "Electronic Resource Selection Pilot Study" form, a survey on our preferences for new electronic databases and asked that we return the form to him as soon as possible. Mr. Offord also reported the on the following: 1.) The library is engaged in an internal audit in preparation for accreditation review, 2.) A one-hour information literacy course has been approved and will be taught in the last eight weeks of the semester following the completion of the eight-week GE101 courses, 3.) The library has written grant proposals for \$1.2 million, 4.) The library is co-sponsoring, with Student Support Services, tutors and activities during final exam week that support students as they study, and 5.) Print management software has been approved which will track usage by students and help to determine a workable print funds policy.

C. Report Concerning an Employee Wellness program, Dr. Dick Dalton, chair, Campus Wellness Program

Dr. Dalton stated he has become chair of a new wellness program as requested by personnel in the human resources area; and, he turned the floor over to Mr. Jim Marcantonio to share information on the new "Employee Wellness Initiative." Mr. Marcantonio stated that the Board of Curators has

challenged the university to have a credible wellness program due to the Board's concern about rising health insurance costs. He noted that the Board had raised their part of the monthly contribution of the employee health insurance to \$420. Mr. Marcantonio also described a standard type of wellness program in which the first year is voluntary and the second year is mandatory. A kick-off activity initiating LU's Employee Wellness Initiative will be held May 9 with a health fair and biometric screenings. The wellness program will entail four biometric screenings as part of the required health assessment.

### **Old Business**

#### **A. Senate Subcommittee Proposal Concerning Late Registration, Dr. Mark Leslie, chair, Ad-hoc Subcommittee on Late Registration**

Dr. Leslie gave a brief introduction on the proposals. A discussion followed.

Dr. Leslie moved that students should be allowed to self-enroll after 30 credit hours instead of 45 credit hours. Dr. Jennifer Benne seconded the motion. The motion failed, 29-26.

Dr. Leslie moved that late registration should only last until the first Wednesday after classes have begun. Until the end of the day on that Wednesday, students could enroll late and pay a \$75 fine for enrolling late. After Wednesday, students would have to file an appeal form to register. Student would have until the end of the business day on the first Friday after classes had commenced to file their appeal forms. No students will be allowed to register after this Friday. This proposed change would apply to fall and spring semesters. Dr. Malfatti-Rachell seconded the motion. The motion passed. Dr. Bardot noted that the proposal will go to Dr. Digby's office.

#### **B. Slate of Officers, Dr. Rodica Ghinescu, Executive Committee**

Dr. Ghinescu announced the slate for senate officers for the upcoming year that will be voted on in the April meeting, as follows: President--Michael Bardot; Vice-President--Ann McSwain. Candidates are still needed for secretary and parliamentarian. Also, further nominations may be made for any position prior to the vote.

### **Announcements**

Mr. Mike Jones: As the new football coach, Coach Jones noted that he was already working with student-athletes and stressing the importance of class. There will be a spring exhibition game on April 30. There will also be a football clinic for 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students, held in conjunction with the YMCA and Greg Lammers, from 10:00-12:00, prior to the exhibition game. A \$10 fee will be charged per attendee. Please contact him for information.

Ms. Marilyn Richardson: Dr. Nancy Browning is holding a WebAdvisor workshop immediately following today's meeting, from 12:00-12:50, in Room 20 MLK. Also, a retirement reception for Dr. Nancy Browning is being held on April 28, 12:00-2:00, beginning immediately after the April senate meeting, in the MLK 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Lounge. Everyone is welcome to come and wish Nancy well on her future as a retiree.

Ms. Kathy Pabst: The MU Fire and Rescue School will be held on campus again from June 6-12. Classes will be held in MLK, Founders Hall and Stampers Hall. As soon as she has more information available, she will contact everyone on information involving use of classrooms.

Dr. Annette Digby: An HIV/AIDS Summit will be held on campus on April 18, 19 and 20. Dignitaries from Washington, D. C., Cole County and Boone County will be in attendance. April 19<sup>th</sup> will be "movie night"

and April 20<sup>th</sup> will have both open and breakout sessions. Some sessions will be rsvp. Dr. Digby turned the floor over to Dr. Connie Hamacher. Dr. Hamacher stated that Keith Boykin will be the guest speaker. The target audience is students, but particularly directed at minority students, as risky behaviors are on the rise.

Mr. Bryan Fawks moved for adjournment. Mr. Jerome Offord seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marilyn Richardson  
Senate Secretary